PUBLIC DEFENDER Gerald Farber

MISSION STATEMENT

The Public Defender is vested with the responsibility of guarding the constitutional rights of indigent clients charged in criminal courts by providing competent legal counsel and zealous courtroom advocacy. With these mandates in mind, the Public Defender's Office will strive to provide all lawful avenues of protection and options available to our clients, and communicate clear explanations of the legal proceedings, in order for our clients to make informed decisions.

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART



DESCRIPTION OF MAJOR SERVICES

The Public Defender provides criminal defense attorneys to represent adult felony clients, adult misdemeanor clients, and juvenile delinquency clients. The Public Defender's Office plays a key role in the timely administration of justice, serving as the first line of indigent defense by taking on the assignment of the majority of indigent clients.

BUDGET AND WORKLOAD HISTORY

	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
_	2003-04	2004-05	2004-05	2005-06
Appropriation	19,357,495	20,358,388	21,714,034	23,495,540
Departmental Revenue	280,609	250,000	621,504	700,000
Local Cost	19,076,886	20,108,388	21,092,530	22,795,540
Budgeted Staffing		175.2		197.0
Workload Indicators				
Felony Appointments	14,054	13,546	15,362	21,968
Misdemeanor Appointments	28,878	29,711	30,517	37,146
Juvenile Delinquency Appointments	4,827	4,094	4,837	4,989

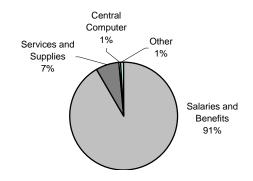
Actual expenditures and Local Cost exceed 2004-05 Budgeted Appropriation and Local Cost due to mid-year items, which increased appropriations and local cost. The mid year items added nine additional staff for a county-wide Gang Proposal and thirteen new staff to compensate for increased caseloads in both felony and misdemeanor appointments.

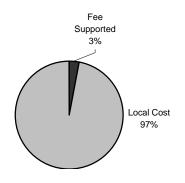
Budgeted 2005-06 appropriation is increased to reflect the additional staff as well as significant increases in workers' compensation and retirement costs. The increase in 2005-06 budgeted Departmental Revenue is possible due to a joint effort between the County and the Superior Courts to determine a defendant's financial ability to pay attorney fees and then assess those fees to defendant's who are found to have sufficient financial resources.



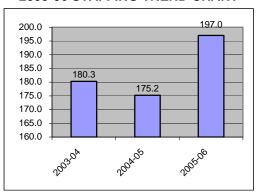
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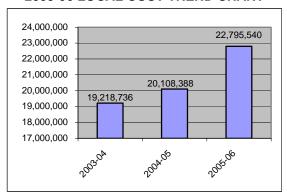




2005-06 STAFFING TREND CHART



2005-06 LOCAL COST TREND CHART



GROUP: Law & Justice
DEPARTMENT: Public Defender
FUND: General

BUDGET UNIT: AAA PBD

FUNCTION: Representation of Indigents

ACTIVITY: Criminal Defense

	2004-05 Actuals	2004-05 Final Budget	2005-06 Board Approved Base Budget	2005-06 Board Approved Changes to Base Budget	2005-06 Final Budget
Appropriation		_	_	_	
Salaries and Benefits	18,498,044	18,315,749	21,151,079	370,426	21,521,505
Services and Supplies	2,556,733	1,709,828	1,772,863	(135,817)	1,637,046
Central Computer	123,443	123,443	153,605	-	153,605
Equipment	182,648	-	-	-	-
Vehicles	175,985	-	-	-	-
Transfers Contingencies	191,159 -	209,368	209,368	(25,984)	183,384
Total Exp Authority	21,728,012	20,358,388	23,286,915	208,625	23,495,540
Reimbursements	(13,978)	20,330,300	23,200,913	200,023	23,433,340
Total Appropriation	21,714,034	20,358,388	23,286,915	208,625	23,495,540
Departmental Revenue					
State, Fed or Gov't Aid	54,551	-	-	-	-
Current Services Other Financing Sources	463,903 103,050	250,000	525,775	174,225	700,000
Total Revenue Operating Transfers In	621,504	250,000	525,775	174,225	700,000
Total Financing Sources	621,504	250,000	525,775	174,225	700,000
Local Cost	21,092,530	20,108,388	22,761,140	34,400	22,795,540
Budgeted Staffing		175.2	197.2	(0.2)	197.0



DEPARTMENT: Public Defender FUND: General BUDGET UNIT: AAA PBD

BOARD APPROVED CHANGES TO BASE BUDGET

		Budgeted		Departmental	
	Brief Description of Board Approved Changes	Staffing	Appropriation	Revenue	Local Cost
	Increase Salaries and Benefits	(0.2)	370,426	-	370,426
	Salaries and benefits are increased by \$336,026 for workers' compensation pemployee step increases. Intermingled in the salaries and benefits changes in in positions was done after the department performed a review of support fund partially offset this increase. The balance of the increase will be offset by decade decrease in overtime.	s the deletion of a Clerk II ction needs. An increase	I position and the addition in departmental revenue	on of a Secretary II per for current fees, as	osition. This switch shown below, will
**	Final Budget Adjustment - Mid Year Item Increase in costs of \$34,400 related to the Clerical Classification Study a	pproved by the Board o	n April 5, 2005 #67.		
٠.	Decrease Service and Supplies	-	(135,817)	-	(135,817
	The department has reduced their budget for inventoriable equipment, computable allowed the department to lower its budget for these items.	uter software, and travel.	In addition, equipment a	and software purchas	ses in 2004-05 has
3.	Decrease Transfers	-	(25,984)	-	(25,984
	Transfers are decreased due to lower rent expense and EHaP costs.		` '		,
	Increase Current Services	-	-	174,225	(174,225
	Revenues are increasing due to a joint effort between the county and the Sup complete a financial assessment form; and based upon the assessment, the Collections.				

^{**} Final Budget Adjustments were approved by the Board after the proposed budget was submitted.

